



**VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION PROGRAM (VIPP)  
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
Staffed by: Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
July 24, 2020  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Participating Members:**

Aisha Burgess, Baltimore City Health Department  
Tara Reed Carlson, University of Maryland Medical Center  
Senator Jill P. Carter, Maryland Senate, District 41, Baltimore City  
Chief Marcus Jones, Montgomery County Police Department  
Donna Leffew, Life Crisis Center  
Delegate Brooke Lierman, Maryland House of Delegates, District 46, Baltimore City  
Kathryn Montgomery, University of Maryland School of Nursing  
Patti Norris, Annapolis Police Department  
Joseph Richardson, University of Maryland College Park  
Lisa Spicknall, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)  
Matan Zeimer, Member of a Community-Based Organization and Hospital-Based Organization

**Guests:**

Daniel Zanchettin, Legislative Director of MD State Senator Jill P. Carter

**Staff:**

V. Glenn Fueston, Jr., Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
Mary Abraham, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
Anthony Baranauskas, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
William Jernigan, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
Quentin Jones, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
Justice Schisler, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services  
Jessica Wheeler, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. Glenn Fueston, Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services provided the welcome address to the VIPP Advisory Council and shared information on the purpose and expectations of the scheduled meeting.

## **II. Funding Update**

Mr. Fueston provided a presentation on the current fiscal status of VIPP-funded programming, including information and specific details regarding the current award recipients (period of performance: 10/1/2018 to 6/30/2020), the amount of remaining funds available, and the allotted amount of funding for the evaluation of VIPP programming.

In regards to current awardees, Mr. Fueston shared that there are currently six active VIPP grantees. Below is a list of those current grant recipients and their grant amounts:

- University of Maryland Medical System Foundation (\$492,224.40)
- Sinai Hospital of Baltimore, Inc. (\$191,288.00)
- Medstar Health Research Institute Inc. (\$278,521.00)
- University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center (\$547,765.43)
- Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc. (\$98,100.00)
- Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice-MOCJ (\$2,553,877.10)

Mr. Fueston also informed the Council that there is an additional \$309,240 remaining in funding to support FY 21 programming. In adherence to the recommendation of the Council, the remaining funds will be distributed to the six current grantees. Lastly, the VIPP mandate requires that no more than 5% of the total allocation be utilized for evaluation purposes and the Office has set aside \$250,000 for this purpose.

## **III. Overview of VIPP Programming Evaluation Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)**

Council members were reminded that Section D(2) of the VIPP law states: "an evaluation of the efficacy of evidence-based health programs or evidence-informed health programs that receive funding under paragraph (1)(I) of this subsection shall be undertaken by an independent, third-party researcher selected by the Council." William Jernigan and Jessica Wheeler provided members with an overview of the draft Notice of NOFA to solicit applications for evaluation.

Members provided feedback on the draft NOFA and a workgroup was developed to finalize the NOFA. Mr. Jernigan will solicit volunteers for the workgroup which will convene in the next week. A final NOFA will then be submitted to the Council for an e-vote. The evaluation grant will begin on October 1, 2020 for a one year project period.

## **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:53 p.m.